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- (X) Specification in 26 pages.
- (X) Drawings in 7 sheets.
- (X) Declaration from parent application in one page.
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- (X) Return prepaid postcard.

CONTINUITY INFORMATION:

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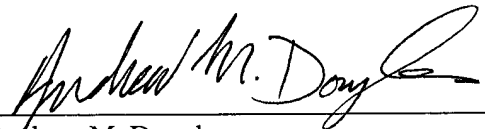
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Basic Utility		2001 (\$385)		\$385.00
Excess Claims > 20	55 - 20 = 35	2202 (\$9)	35 x 9 =	\$315.00
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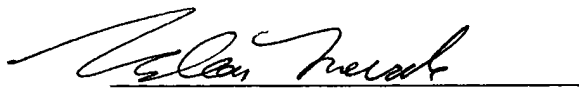
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